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WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1891.

IT IS not expected the Hope will live many months as he has been very ill for some time, and his physicians hold out no hope of his recovery.

THERE IS a general belief in the United States that the strained condition of affairs between Chili and that country will result in war. There is only one course left open for Chili and that is to ask for arbitration which it has not yet done, or which it does not seem disposed to do. The New York Herald, editorially remarks that there is no question that the administration fully expects the refusal of Chili to comply with its demands for apology and indemnity, and is ready to ask congress for power to declare war. Chili, feeling she is in the right, is determined not to apologize, even at cannon's mouth. Such is the situation on the diplomatic chess board. Chili has just one move that may save her, namely, arbitration. Chili has not yet asked for arbitration, but it is known to the cabinet here that she is likely to do so. The Chilean minister yesterday telegraphed President Montt that the United States meant fight, and that the army and navy were being rapidly placed on a war footing. Plans have already been made to promptly move 10,000 troops. It is pretty well settled Gen. Miles will have charge of the land forces in the event of hostilities.

A Change of Scene.

A St. John paper notes the fact that Mr. Fred Coleman will take charge of the House of Commons Restaurant this year, and makes some general remarks regarding the tendency, or proneness of the genial Frederick to violate the laws regulating the sale of liquors, throwing out some suggestions for his future benefit.

Causally, we might remark there are worse rum-sellers in the city than Frederick. It is doubtful if he sold more rum on Sundays than on week days which is more than one of his "contemporaries" could say, one by the way that it would take more than Pearl's soap to wash his conscience clear, efficacious as the soap is advertised to be.

But to resume, as a celebrated writer would remark. Those who know the genial Frederick best, those to whom he opens out his inner thoughts, in fact those who luxuriate in the oyster saloon annex and fondly embrace the enchanting bar—occasionally, say that it is the "environments" which has caused Frederick all this world of trouble and—close confinement for two months. What, with the egregious drummer, the pautulous politician, the purple old soaker, and the petulant proprietors of the other hotels, he has been drawn from the straight path; that evil communications have corrupted his good morals, etc., etc.

For one of such an impressible nature, we think Ottawa is no place for the genial Frederick to go. We are not on visiting terms with the proprietor of the Barker, or we would give him some advice. We will hazard it anyway.

Now they do say the volatile Anti-Scott Act defender and versatile Sunday School Superintendent, has his nose in that direction too, and really Frederick we

can't lose all our most respected citizens, and have them go to Ottawa to be contaminated. Look at Uncle Thomas, now all shaken up with rheumatism; the fact is Ottawa is no place as a health resort, and is not even good for weak eyes.

But since the close of Parliament they have been cleaning up and white-washing the different departments and getting them into fairly presentable condition for the next session. It is quite likely before the next session closes that long-drawn-out Royal Commission on the liquor question will be appointed, and probably the first place they will steer for, to "investigate," will be the House of Commons bar, at least that would be a good place to begin. Watch them Frederick, for they will get you into trouble. Hear the conclusion of the whole matter, stop selling rum, and if this advice should not prove congenial, these gentle remarks can be taken, like the New Year's dinner to the suffering poor children, as a good advertisement.

Russia.

Russia is still in a feese, and the nations are doubtful as to what course she will next pursue. What with famine and want, pestilence and plague, and a desire for more territory, Russia is in a peculiar position. The Toronto Globe points out that she is now being watched by her neighbour as to her designs from three points. She has made friends with the Sultan, and is in a fair way to get free access to the Mediterranean without the troublesome necessity of going to war with the sick man or his traditional defenders. In Central Asia she is apparently about to take up her abode on the Roof of the world, where she would threaten both British India and China. There is no doubt that she has an intention to annex Korea. While China was engaged in a war with England and France, the Chinese Government was persuaded to cede to the Czar, in return for some military supplies, the Province of Primorsk, stretching for 900 miles along the Pacific coast, from the extreme north to the boundary of Korea. Vladivostok, the principal port on this coast, is closed during three months of the year, and Russia is said to covet the more southern ports of Korea. Though the province is tributary to China, it is said that Japan would have most to fear if it became a Russian possession. The London Speaker says that an army could be transported from Korea to the nearest point in the Japanese islands in eight or nine hours, and it is therefore of importance to the Mikado that the country should not fall into the hands of an aggressive European power.

The Quebec Ministry.

The personnel of the new Quebec ministry meets with general approval by the liberal conservative electors, which it naturally should being a representative liberal conservative government, but it is also approved of by those independent liberals who look for a pure administration of public affairs in that province. Representative independent liberal papers such as the Montreal Witness, denounce Mercier and his colleagues, call upon the liberals to repudiate them and their policy, and to support the new ministry. On the announcement of the new ministry it has these good words to say of it:

"Mr. DeBoucherville has certainly succeeded in bringing within the Cabinet a very representative and a very talented company of men. The new Ministry, which consists of ten members, is a large one, but not larger than some preceding administrations. Mr. Mercier's cabinet has always been restricted to eight members, as was also that of Mr. Joly, while the cabinet of Mr. Taillon, which, however, only existed for two days, was composed of but six members. The Masson and Ross administrations, which lasted for a year and a half and

three years respectively, were limited to the same number, as was also Mr. Chapleau's ministry of 1879. Mr. DeBoucherville's former administration contained ten members. Not one member of Mr. DeBoucherville's administration of 1874 is to be found in the new ministry. This is accounted for by the fact that nearly all the members of that administration have passed out of provincial public life. Quite a number of the new ministers have not seats in the Legislature. Messrs. Casgrain, Flynn, Masson and Taillon are without seats in either chamber, but as only Mr. DeBoucherville himself is a member of the Legislative Council, it may be taken for granted that two, if not three, of the members without seats will be made legislative councillors. Mr. Flynn, who was defeated in Gaspé at the last general elections, may feel strong enough to contest the county of Gaspé on more equal terms with Mr. Carrier now that he is a minister, and Mr. Casgrain may also seek a seat in the popular house. Four of the ministers, Messrs. DeBoucherville, Flynn, Masson and Taillon, have had experience as administrators in former governments, but all the others are new to official life, with the exception of Mr. Beaubien, who was at one time Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, most of the others are, however, well-known and representative men. Mr. Casgrain is regarded as a very able man and is certainly a representative Conservative. Mr. Pelletier is the president of the Conservative National Association and has, it is said, to a peculiar degree, the confidence of the Lieutenant-Governor. Mr. Nantel is the personal friend of Mr. Chapleau, the leader of the Federal Conservatives of this province, for whom he made way as the representative of the province in the latter became a Federal minister. Mr. Hall, as a representative of Montreal West, will, with Mr. McIntosh, the member for Compton, worthily represent the Protestants in the new ministry. The Irish people will be represented in the cabinet by Mr. Flynn, who, as his name shows, is of Irish descent. A number of the members of this cabinet, such as Mr. Masson, Mr. Taillon, Mr. Hall and Mr. McIntosh, have the confidence of the people as honest and upright men in an unusual degree. Mr. de Boucherville himself is regarded as a thoroughly upright man, but perhaps a weak and easily influenced one.

A Quarter of a Million Dollars

A paper in Canada whose annual subscription is only one dollar has a quarter of a million dollars invested to produce it. That paper is *The Family Herald and Weekly Star*, Montreal, which is a great newspaper success, and which is comfortably settled in magnificent new buildings, with new presses and equipments costing two hundred and fifty thousand dollars, all paid for and free from all incumbrances. *The Family Herald* is in a strong financial position.

The Century for January.

A portrait of Gounod, the celebrated French composer, forms the frontispiece of the January Century, and along with the portrait is a charming paper of reminiscence of the early life of the musician. His experience as a student of music in Rome and his later acquaintance with Mendelssohn are delightfully narrated. This paper by Gounod is one of a musical series which will make the Century especially attractive to lovers of music during the coming year.

The first of the series on "The Jews in New York," by the Rev. Dr. Wheatley, is given with numerous illustrations, and there also appears a brief article on "The Jewish Question" in general, treated from a very lofty point of view by an anonymous writer who uses the signature "Josephus."

Another timely subject is treated in an essay by Mr. J. R. Dodge, of the Agricultural Department, on "The Discontent of the Farmer," in which an attempt is made to give the various causes which have led to the more recent exhibitions of discontent. Mr. Dodge also briefly gives reasons why this discontent has diminished, and puts forth some optimistic views on the general subject.

General News.

In a terrific snowstorm in Italy 35 railroad laborers were suffocated and frozen to death.

John G. Roth, the would-be murderer of Rev. John Hall, was acquitted Thursday on the ground of insanity.

Isaac B. Sawtelle of Concord, N. H., was stricken with apoplexy Thursday night and remained in an unconscious condition and died Monday morning.

The yellow fever is spreading daily in Brazil and a panic has settled upon the people.

A French lugger loaded with dynamite was blown up in the harbor at Antwerp yesterday, killing 20 men.

While the midnight mass was being performed Friday morning in the church in Valencia, Italy, four bombs exploded in the edifice in rapid succession. A number of lights in the church were extinguished.

It was afterwards found that the high altar had been destroyed. Several persons standing near were injured. The side of the church was wrecked and a number of worshippers bruised by falling debris. Two persons have been arrested on suspicion.

Another crack attempted to blow up the house of Russell Sage, the New York millionaire, on Saturday night. He was met by Mrs. Sage, who pluckily shoved him out of the door and down the steps. A policeman was called, but the stranger escaped.

The Montreal Herald, which has been in financial difficulties for some time past, has ceased publication after being in existence eighty-four years. Robt. McConnell, editor, formerly of Halifax, will return to that city to engage in journalistic work.

The oppressive fog in which London has been wrapped for two or three days prevailed until midnight Thursday. The delay in railway and road traffic, due to the fog, considerably hindered the progress of Christmas festivities.

Preliminary steps have been taken by W. R. Laidlaw, broker's clerk, for \$100,000 damages in a suit against Russell Sage for using him as a shield to save himself when Notcross exploded the bomb in Sage's office on December 4th. The suit will be based upon the allegation that Sage deliberately held Laidlaw between himself and the menacing dynamite, with the result that Sage's life was saved at the expense of his.

Sir Wm. Arthur White, British ambassador to Turkey, died from influenza in Berlin on Monday.

The Washington Post says that despite the denials of navy yard officials unusual activity exists at the gun factory. The men are working twelve hours a day.

John George Lingeman, who wanted to secure Cornelius Vanderbilt's brains, was pronounced insane and will be sent to an insane asylum.

It is officially announced that the marriage of the Duke of Clarence and Princess Victoria of Teck will take place on the 27th of February in St. George's chapel, Windsor Castle.

John P. Roberts, a wealthy Ohio farmer has not slept for four weeks, and the Cincinnati hospital physicians are puzzled. Apart from his sleeplessness the man is apparently all right.

The entire system of the San Antonio & Arkansas Pass railway was tied up Monday on account of the strike of employees, who quit work because a conductor was discharged for violating orders.

A despatch from Gilgit, on the Cashmere frontier, states that the British forces made a forward movement against Bunza and Nagar. The tribesmen have captured another fort located a short distance from Fort Onilt and made 118 prisoners. No date is given.

Who Can Dispute It?

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